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By order of this Court, be it resolved that:

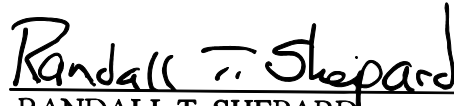
Whereas the success of our jury system depends on the participation of all citizens  
who are called to serve;

Whereas every day, throughout our country, citizens devote their time and energies to deciding disputes that significantly affect the lives, liberties, and property of others;

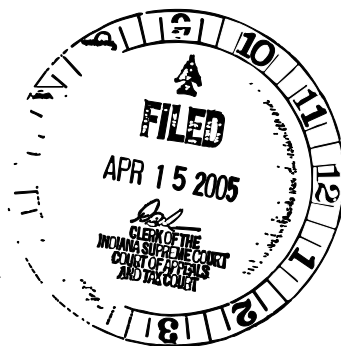
NOW THEREFORE, the Supreme Court of Indiana, does hereby proclaim the week of May 2-May 6, 2005, as Juror Appreciation Week. On this week, let us recognize those who are called upon to take time from their daily lives to fulfill the highest responsibility of citizenship and make our system of justice a reality through their jury service. In addition, we urge the citizens, schools, businesses, and media of Indiana and our nation to use this occasion to dedicate ourselves to preserve and strengthen the jury system.

The Clerk is directed to send copies of this order to Robert Grey, President, American Bar Association, 321 North Clark Street, Chicago, IL 60610, and Thomas Pyrz, Executive Director, Indiana State Bar Association, One Indiana Square, Suite 500, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

DONE AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 2005.

  
RANDALL T. SHEPARD  
CHIEF JUSTICE OF INDIANA

IN THE  
SUPREME COURT OF INDIANA



In regard to National Juror Appreciation Week )  
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ORDER

By order of this Court, be it resolved that:

- Whereas, juries are essential to a fair, reliable, and citizen-based system of justice, in which the people, and not government officials, resolve disputes;
- Whereas, juries represent the common sense of ordinary Hoosiers and thus keep the administration of law in accord with the wishes and feelings of the community;
- Whereas, the decisions that jurors make affects millions of lives every day and have a profound impact on our economy and our society;
- Whereas, by entrusting jurors from the community to decide legal cases—some of them involving millions of dollars or life-and-death issues—we reinforce our belief that everyday people can make correct decisions, that we are an open, democratic government;
- Whereas, few activities in our civic life provide such a direct contact with our democracy as does jury service;
- Whereas, along with voting, jury service is one of the main ways we take part in the public life of our nation—when we vote, we are one of millions, but when we serve on a jury, we are one of twelve;
- Whereas the jury system gives equal weight to diverse voices—the system works because everyone on the jury has an equal voice regardless of who they are, what they earn, or where they are from;
- Whereas the success of our jury system depends on the participation of all citizens who are called to serve;